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THE CONVOYED ATTACK -- REVISITED?

In EREHWON 65, Allan Calhmer wrote an article dealing with the articles and letters appearing in ATLANTIS concerning the convoy order. As I promised, here is my reply to that article. Allan's comments will be so indicated.

The first example Allan talks about is:

Example 1

ENGLAND: A Edi-Hol, F Nth C A Edi-Hol, A Bel S A Edi-Hol, F Eng S F Nth.

GERMANY: F Hol-Nth, F Den S F Hol-Nth.

In this example, Allan rules that the convoy succeeds, that the A Edi has a valid support, and succeeds in dislodging F Hol. This is based on his statement that the Rulebook does not imply that the convoyed attack comes from the direction of the last convoying fleet. Granted this premise, then the logical ruling is the one Allan gives [above]. If we agree to accept the premise that there is no real disagreement among us on this question, as the question of whether or not the "Brannan Rule" is in operation is a major problem neatly eliminated.

Example 2

ENGLAND: A Lon-Bel, F Eng C A Lon-Bel, F Nth S A Lon-Bel.

FRANCE: F Bel-Eng, F Bre S F Bel-Eng.

I don't think there will be any disagreements on the adjudication of this

example, it is fairly straightforward, F Bel-Eng dislodged F Eng, disrupting the convoy.

There is not much else for me to comment on, we are all agreed that the convoy order succeeds only if the convoying fleets are not first dislodged. Is that a fair statement?

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I just came across another letter for print from Rod, this time in reaction to the article written by Buddy Tretick.

Rod Walker, 4719 Felton St., San Diego, Calif. 92116, 10 March 1972.

"I believe you have, in a sense, missed the point in replying to Tretick's revival of the old Shagrin Alternate Convoy business [ATLANTIS #50, p. 7.]. The point is, that it is a revival. To my knowledge, every Gamesmaster rules in approximately the same way you do, although there are minor variations in whether or not the player is required to indicate the intended route (that is, something like this: A Lpl-Bre (via F Iri & F Mid), F Iri C A Lpl-Bre, F Mid C A Lpl-Ere).

Buddy has a habit, lately, of posing rules problems which are in fact hoary with age, and posing them as if he has stumbled across something new and original. Dick Shagrin proposed exactly the kind of ruling Tretick suggested, and did so in 1967. From that point on, most House-Rules carried a ruling which was like yours.

The new Rulebook, in Rule XII.4, deals with precisely this situation, again using a ruling like yours. Why Buddy should choose now to raise a question which is not only old but outdated by the Rulebook of 1971, I cannot imagine.

To add to this mess, Buddy raises, in LA GUERRE VI.3, the ancient question of convoyed support, which Conrad von Metzke first raised in COSTAGUANA in April 1966. Even Conrad has now abandoned this peculiar ruling, not only because it is contrary to the Rulebook, but because it is a Gamesmaster's nightmare to adjudicate (see COSTAGUANA IV.2, in NUMENOR 7 ["3"]).

(On the Shagrin Convoy Rule, see ATLANTIS #23, 4f; BROBDINGNAG 56, 6-8; 58, 2-4; 84, 9f; GRAUSTARK 212, 15; LONELY MOUNTAIN 32, 3; 33, 5; SERENDIP 41, 10f; SHAAFT I.2, 1.)

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ATLANTIS needs several stand-by players for some of the games that are now lacking players -- no game fee! If you wish to take over one of these deserted positions, please write and let me know, telling which game (if any) you would prefer to be in, or which game (if any) you would not like to be assigned to. If you are assigned to a game, there will be a negotiation period before moves would be sent in.

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This issue has been delayed because of my work schedule, which required 13 - 15 hours per day this last week. I am just now getting this thing typed, although the games had been adjudicated on their respective deadlines. There is no instance of moves arriving late, however, so players indicated as missing moves did, indeed, miss moves.

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R-1

F Eas-Ion
F Aeg (S) F Eas-Ion
F Gre (S) F Eas-Ion
A Ven-Rom
A Apu-Nap
A Tyr-Ven
A Tri (S) A Tyr-Ven
A Boh (S) A Sil
A Gal (S) A Sil
A Sil (S) A War-Pru
A War-Pru
A Sev (S) A Mos
A Mos (S) FRENCH A Ber-Liv [Not ordered]
A Alb-Ser

F Tyr-Nap
A StP-Mos
A Liv-War
A Pru (S) A Liv-War [Dislodged & annihilated]
F Bot-Liv
F Dal (S) F Bot-Liv
F Nth (C) FRENCH A Hol-Den [Not ordered]
A Kie (S) FRENCH A Mun

A Par [All units unordered; hold]
A Ber
A Bur
A Pie
A Mun
A Hol
A Rom
A Mar
F Tus
F Lyo
F Tun
F Ion [Dislodged & Annihilated]

[The following text is a series of repeating musical notes, likely representing a melody or rhythm.]

12 May 1972

"Spring 1910"

1970AJ

R-2

TURKEY ATTACKS AUSTRIA -- AUSTRIA ATTACKS TURKEY

ENGLAND GAINS!

GERMANY (CD):

A Ber [Unordered; holds]

TURKEY (Jordan):

Builds A Con, A Con-Bul
A StP holds [Dislodged and must retreat]
A Lyv-War
A War-Gal
A Mos-Ukr
A Sil-Boh
A Rom-Ven [Dislodged and must retreat]
F Lyo-Tus
F Wes-Tyr
F Naf-Tun
F Bul (sc)-Gre
F Ion-Adr

AUSTRIA (Leahey):

F Tyr-Rom
A Pie-Ven
F Nap (S) F Tyr-Rom
A Pru-Sil
A Mun-Boh
A Tyr-Tri
A Boh-Gal

ENGLAND (Lakofka):

F Eng (S) F Bre-Mid
F Spa (sc) (S) F Bre-Mid
F Bre-Mid
A Swe-Fin
F Bot (S) A Swe-Fin
F Nwy-StP (nc)
F Bar (S) F Nwy-StP (nc)
A Bur holds
A Ruh (S) AUSTRIAN A Mun [Ordered to move]
F Por (S) F Spa (sc)
A Kie (S) GERMAN A Ber
F Dal (S) GERMAN A Ber
F Mar holds
A Gas (S) F Mar

The retreats for the Turkish Armies are due along with the "Fall 1910" moves on 30 May 1972, which may be made conditional on the direction of those retreats.

Len Lakofka's new address is now 4970 N. Marine Dr., Apt. 525, Chicago, Illinois, 60640.

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"Fall 1904"

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R-3

More than half of the players did not send in moves for this game, so it is therefore delayed one more period. Substitute players are needed, see page 2 for details. Moves fore "Fall 1904" are due 30 May 1972.

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"Fall 1903"

1971CB

R-4

RUSSIA (?):

A Liv [Unordered; holds]  
A Mos [Unordered; holds]  
A War [Unordered; dislodged & annihilated]  
F Sev [Unordered; dislodged & annihilated]

TURKEY (Cleaver):

A Arm-Sev  
F Bla (S) A Arm-Sev  
A Rum-Ukr  
F Con-Aeg

FRANCE (Nozik):

A Pic-Wal  
F Eng (C) A Pic-Wal  
A Spa-Por  
F Mid-Iri

ITALY (Lamb):

A Vie (S) A Tri  
A Tyr (S) A Vie  
A Tri (S) A Vie  
F Adr (S) A Tri  
F Ion-Gre

ENGLAND (Almström):

F Cly-NAt  
F Nth-Eng  
F Swe-Fin  
A HwY-StP

AUSTRIA (Brooks):

F Alb (S) A Bud-Tri  
A Ser (S) A Bud-Tri  
A Bud-Tri  
A Gal-Bud

GERMANY (Devereaux):

F Bal-Swe  
F Den (S) F Bal-Swe  
A Bel holds  
A Ruh (S) A Bel  
A Sil-War  
A Pru (S) A Sil-War

Underlined moves do not succeed.

#### SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

RUSSIA (?): Mos, ~~War~~, ~~StP~~, ~~Sev~~, ~~Swe~~. (1) Remove 1.  
FRANCE (Nozik): Mar, Par, Bre, Spa, Por. (5) Build 1.  
ENGLAND (Almström): Edi, Liv, Lon, Nwy, StP. (5) Build 1.  
ITALY (Lamb): Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun, Tri, Vie, Gre. (7) Build 2.  
AUSTRIA (Brooks): Bud, ~~Vie~~, Bul, ~~Gal~~, Ser. (3) Remove 1.

R-4.

GERMANY (Devereaux): Ber, Mun, Kie, Den, Hol, Bel, War, Swe. (8) Build 2.  
Turkey (Cleaver): Con, Ank, Smy, Rum, Sev. (5) Build 1.

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R-5

F Tun-Ion  
A Rom-Ven  
A Tyr-Vie

A Bud-Ser  
A Vie-Bud  
F Tri-Ven

A Gre-Ser  
F Bul (sc)-Aeg  
A Con-Bul  
A Smy-Arm

F Sev (S) A Rum  
F bot (S) ENGLISH F Swe  
A Liv-Pru  
A Sil (S) ITALIAN A Tyr-Mun [Not ordered]  
A Rum (S) TURKISH A Gre-Ser

F Mid (C) A Spa-Cly  
F Nat (C) A Spa-Cly  
A Spa-Cly  
A Bre holds  
A Nar-Gas

A Bel holds  
A Ruh-Mun  
A Kie-Ber  
F Eal-Den  
F Den-Nth  
F Hol (S) F Den-Nth

"Supply Center Chart" follows opposite:

"Winter 1902"

1971CQ

R-5

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

ENGLAND (~~McGee~~): Liv, Lon, Edi, Nwy, Swe. (5) Build 2.  
RUSSIA (Proujansky): StP, Mos, War, Sev, Rum. (5) No change.  
GERMANY (Trtek): Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, Hol, Bel. (6) No change.  
ITALY (McLennan): Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun (4) Build 1.  
AUSTRIA (Hoffman): Vie, Bud, Tri, (3) No change.  
FRANCE (Bell): Par, Mar, Bre, Por, Spa. (5) No change.  
TURKEY (McGee): Con, Smy, Ank, Bul, Ser. (5) Build 1.

Gain. Builds for "Winter 1902" are due 30 May 1972.

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"Winter 1902"

1971DF

R-6

This game is being delayed (again). The player for England has resigned and another player is needed; and, several other players failed to send in their builds for this season. I am allowing until 30 May for these builds to be sent in, after that the builds will be published or not published as the case may be.

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GAME OPENINGS

Yes Virginia, there are game openings here now! There will be one open game, R-7, for anyone who wants to part with the required cash. The fee is as follows: \$6.00, 50¢ off for members of either TDA or IFW, and/or 50¢ off for players active in another ATLANTIS game.

Deadlines for this game will be approximately three weeks apart.

If you wish to enter, I need a list of countries in order of your preference; numbered 1-7. Country assignments will be chosen from these lists.

Game fees must NOT be submitted in the form of cash -- I cannot be responsible for the sticky-fingered goons in the Post Office. It's bad enough what they do to non-valuables in the mail, let's not tempt them with money. Personal checks are preferred to money orders -- you get a receipt back with them.

If you have any questions, feel free to drop me a line....

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

From Andy Phillips, 128 Oliver St, Daly City, Calif. 94014.

"I would like you to correct two mistakes in the editing of my letter in ATLANTIS #49. Although they are quite minor (two missing asterisks and the substitution of a single character) they obscure the meaning of what I wrote to a disproportionate degree.

First of all, the example headed, "For example, consider:" does not reference the preceding paragraph, but was instead an asterisked footnote substan-





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There will be two games open, providing players can be found. The game fee has been tentatively set for \$3; subscriptions 10 issues for \$1.50. Trades will be accepted for Origins-related 'zines.

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